TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 667 – HB 830

March 30, 2015

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires each local education agency (LEA), in consultation with the Department of Education (DOE) and local law enforcement, to institute domestic violence awareness education programs for all middle and high school students. Such programs shall be age appropriate. All middle and high school students shall participate in at least one domestic violence program each year.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005271): Deletes all language of the original bill. Encourages local education agencies (LEAs), in consultation with local law enforcement, to institute domestic violence awareness education programs for all middle and high school students. Such programs shall be age appropriate. Encourages LEAs that elect to institute domestic violence awareness education programs to have all students in middle and high school attend at least one program each year.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Current state standards for health education include providing age appropriate information relative to domestic violence and other types of abuse.
- Some LEAs may currently be meeting the requirements of this amended bill.
- Programs will be done in the normal course of school programs or assemblies.
- Based on information from the DOE, the Comptroller, and other sources, there are a variety of ways that an LEA could implement the amended bill's requirements without a significant increase in local expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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